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**Acting FBI Boss
Wants Permanence**

NEW ORLEANS, May 27 (UPI) — L. Patrick Gray III says he plans to offer his resignation as acting chief of the FBI after the presidential inauguration next year. But he would like to stay on the job.

Gray said at a news conference Friday that he would offer to step down even if President Nixon is re-elected.

But in answer to a question, he said, "Yes, I would like to stay and become permanent director."

Gray said he felt the directorship was a managerial post and did not require law enforcement experience.

"I don't have law enforcement experience and don't think it is necessary," Gray said. "I have all the expertise at my fingertips." He referred to the abilities of other FBI employees.